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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:)
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 Takahiro ISHIHARA et al.) Group Art Unit: 1756
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 Appln. No.: 10/059,130) Examiner: J. Dote
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A response to the Office Action dated February 24, 2003 (Paper No. 3) is due by May 26, 2003 (May 24, 2003 being a Saturday). Therefore, please accept this Request for Reconsideration as timely filed and fully responsive.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application, and reconsideration of the Office Action dated February 24, 2003 (Paper No. 3). Upon entry of this Request for Reconsideration, claims 1-8 will remain pending in this application. No new matter is incorporated by this Request for Reconsideration.

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Claims 1-3 and 6-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as purportedly obvious based on Sano (U.S. Pat. No. 5,863,694) in view of Kumashiro (U.S. Pat. No. 5,176,978). Applicants respectfully traverse.